

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

APPROPRIATIONS: DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Interior, Environment, and Related Agencies concluded a hearing to examine proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2011 for the Department of the Interior, after receiving testimony from Ken Salazar, Secretary, and David Hayes, Deputy Secretary, both of the Department of the Interior.

APPROPRIATIONS: FOOD AND DRUG ADMINISTRATION

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies concluded a hearing to examine proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2011 for the Food and Drug Administration, after receiving testimony from Margaret Hamburg, Commissioner, Food and Drug Administration, Department of Health and Human Services.

DEFENSE AUTHORIZATION REQUEST AND FUTURE YEARS DEFENSE PROGRAM

Committee on Armed Services: Committee concluded a hearing to examine United States European Command, United States Africa Command, and United States Joint Forces Command in review of the Defense Authorization request for fiscal year 2011 and the Future Years Defense Program, after receiving testimony from Admiral James G. Stavridis, USN, Commander, United States European Command/Supreme Allied Commander, Europe, General William E. Ward, USA, Commander, United States Africa Command, and General James N. Mattis, USMC, Commander, United States Joint Forces Command, all of the Department of Defense.

FINANCIAL TRANSMISSION RIGHTS

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: Committee concluded a hearing to examine financial transmission rights and other electricity market mechanisms, after receiving testimony from Jon Wellinghoff, Chairman, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission; Gary Gensler, Chairman, Commodity Futures Trading Commission; Garry Brown, New York Public Service Commission, Albany, on behalf of the National Association of Regulatory Utility Commissioners; Vincent P. Duane, PJM Interconnection, L.L.C., Norristown, Pennsylvania; Joseph T. Kelliher, FPL Group, Inc., Washington, D.C., on behalf of the Edison Electric Institute and the Electric Power Supply Association; and Michael W.

Henderson, Arkansas Electric Cooperatives, Inc., Little Rock.

U.S. CHEMICAL SAFETY LAWS

Committee on Environment and Public Works: Subcommittee on Superfund, Toxics and Environmental Health concluded a hearing to examine business perspectives on reforming U.S. chemical safety laws, after receiving testimony from Kathy Gerwig, Kaiser Permanente, Oakland, California; Charlie Drevna, National Petrochemical & Refiners Association (NPRA), Washington, D.C.; Neil C. Hawkins, The Dow Chemical Company, Midland, Michigan; Beth D. Bosley, Boron Specialties, Valencia, Pennsylvania, on behalf of the Society of Chemical Manufacturers & Affiliates (SOCMA); Howard Williams, Construction Specialties, Inc., Muncy, Pennsylvania; and Linda J. Fisher, DuPont, Wilmington, Delaware.

U.S. PREFERENCE PROGRAMS

Committee on Finance: Committee concluded a hearing to examine United States preference programs, focusing on options for reform, after receiving testimony from Eric Norris, FMC Corporation, Charlotte, North Carolina; and Edward Gresser, Democratic Leadership Council, Jeffrey S. Vogt, AFL-CIO, and Gregory Simpkins, Leon H. Sullivan Foundation, all of Washington, D.C.

ELEMENTARY AND SECONDARY EDUCATION ACT

Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions: Committee concluded a hearing to examine Elementary and Secondary Education Act (ESEA) reauthorization, focusing on K–12 education for economic success, after receiving testimony from Andreas Schleicher, Organization for Economic Co-Operation and Development (OECD), Paris, France; Dennis Van Roekel, National Education Association, and John Castellani, Business Roundtable, both of Washington, D.C.; and Charles Butt, H-E-B, San Antonio, Texas.

LEGISLATIVE PRESENTATION VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Committee concluded a joint hearing with the House of Representatives Committee on Veterans' Affairs to examine a legislative presentation from Veterans of Foreign Wars, after receiving testimony from Thomas J. Tradewell Sr., Sussex, Wisconsin, and Robert E. Wallace and Eric Hilleman, both of Washington, D.C., all of Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States.